

SMOOTH SAILING FOR SENATOR FAIRBANKS

Congressman Hitt's Name Was With- drawn For Vice-President.

Immortal Incidents of the Republican National Con- vention Arouse Many.

GRAND OLD "JOE" CANNON PRESIDING TODAY

Chicago, June 22.—Without a dis-
turbance element to impede smooth
operation, the programme for the Re-
publican National Convention is be-
ing carried out. An organization was
perfected preparatory to the adoption
of a platform and the making of nomi-
nations in the succeeding days of the
convention. From the quiet, yet un-
mistakable enthusiasm provoked by
Senator Fairbanks' arrival at the
Coliseum, his nomination for vice-
president is but little less assured
than the nomination of Theodore
Roosevelt for President.

The keynote to the convention of
1904 was sounded by Hon. Elihu Root
in his speech as temporary chairman.
His address was a review of the ac-
complishments of the present admin-
istration and a defense of Republican
policies in general.

The incidents which are destined to
live long after the demonstrations
have been forgotten are Mr. Root's
tributes to President McKinley. The
temporary chairman spoke of the late
president's administration of progress,
his gentleness of character and those
qualities so beloved by the nation,
and in that connection saying feelingly:

"And with McKinley we remember
Hanna."

A hush almost oppressive spread
over the 7,000 or more persons present.
The speaker had paused expectantly.
As he started to resume the full force
of the tie stretched between the two
greatest of recent political heroes
went home to the delegates. The ap-
plause started and in a sympathetic
wave was carried to every part of the
great hall. The demonstration was
unlike any that had preceded it or that
came after. An indefinable dignity
was attached to the demonstration
which seemed foreign to a political
gathering.

The first speech at the convention
was by Senator Scott, who informally
presented to Chairman Payne, a
beautiful gavel.

In the convention hall today there
is one woman delegate who has the
right to vote. She is Mrs. Charles A.
Eldredge, of Colorado Springs, Colo.,
an alternate delegate whose principal
was absent. Other women alternates
present were Mrs. Owen Lefevre, of
Colorado, Mrs. Susan West of Idaho,
and Miss Jennie Nelson, of Utah,
these states having woman suffrage.
Senator Cullom, of Illinois, this after-
noon announced the withdrawal of
Congressman Hitt from the vice presi-
dential race. This means that Fair-
banks will be nominated by acclama-
tion.

The committee on rules and resolu-
tions presented the platform. Much
of it is devoted to a resume of what
the Republican party has accomplished
the freeing of Cuba, the suppression
of insurrection in the Philippines; the
position of the route for the Isthmian
Canal is dwelt upon at some length,
and referring to the tariff the platform
insists upon the maintenance of the
principle of protection and therefore
rates, duty should be re-adjusted only
when conditions have so changed pub-
lic interest demands alteration. But
this work cannot be safely committed
to any other hands than those of the
Republican party. The upholding of
the gold standard is declared to be a
duty of the Republican party. Legis-
lation which will encourage to build
up American merchant marine is
favored. A navy powerful enough to
defend the country against any at-
tack, to uphold the Monroe doctrine
is declared essential. Civil service

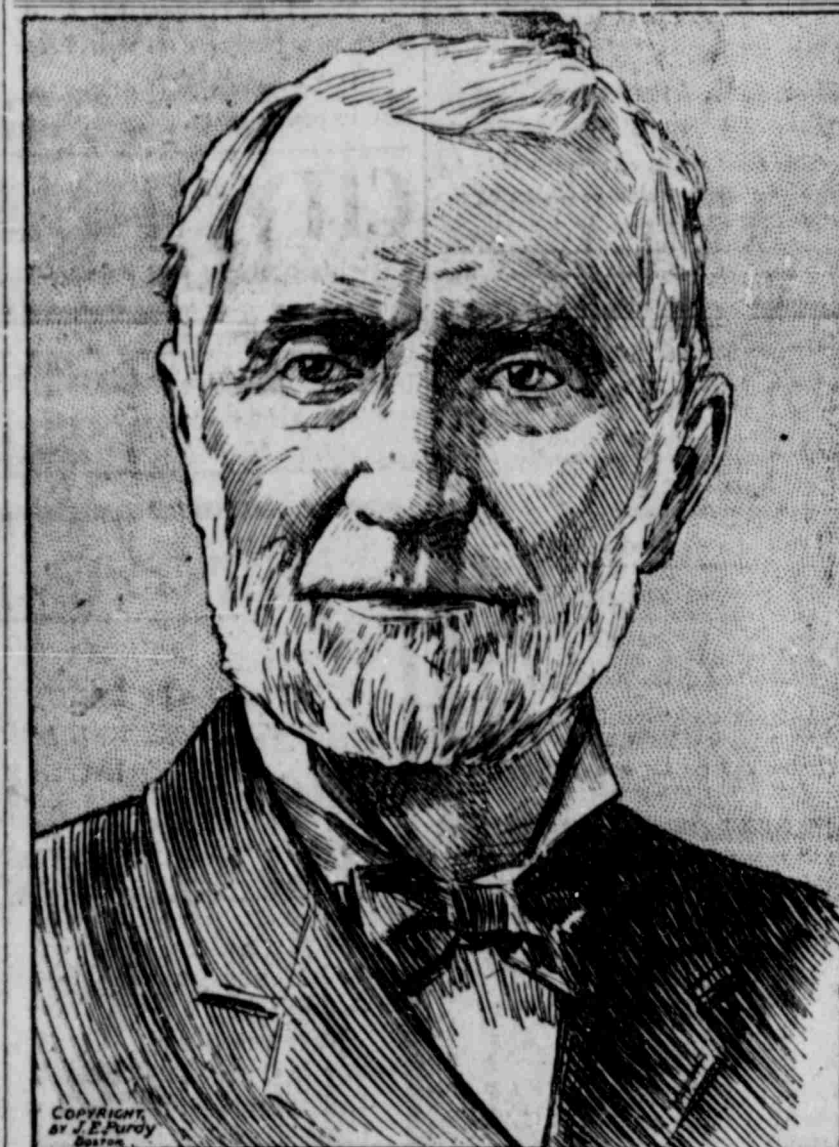
law practiced and peaceful settlement
of international differences by arbitra-
tion are favored. The vigorous
efforts of the administration to pro-
tect American citizens in foreign
lands commended. Nominations will
not be sent until 4 o'clock.

12:19 p. m.—The platform will be
reported about 1 o'clock.

12:22 p. m.—Father Thomas E.
Ox, of Chicago, leads in prayer.

12:25 p. m.—The convention was
called to order by Temporary Chair-
man Root.

12:36 p. m.—Senator McComas,
chairman of the committee on creden-
tials, reports that the committee unan-
imously concurs in the action of the
national committee as to the Wiscon-
sin contest. The convention adopts



SPEAKER JOSEPH G. CANNON.

PERMANENT CHAIRMAN OF THE CONVENTION.

report of committee on credentials.
12:42 p. m.—Johnson, chairman of
the committee on credentials, pre-
sents a report on permanent organiza-
tion. Joseph G. Cannon, of Illinois,
will be permanent chairman.

1:01 p. m.—Report of the committee
on permanent organization was adopted
by the convention chairman.
Joseph G. Cannon takes the chair
amidst great applause.

2:03 p. m.—Chairman Cannon just
finished speaking.

WEDDING POSTPONED.

The wedding of Mr. W. M. Levan,
a popular young merchant of Mehan-
icshourg, and Miss Fannie Owen,
which was to have taken place tonight
has been postponed on account of the
illness of Mr. Levan.

HOSPITAL BOARD TO MEET.

The city hospital board will meet
tonight in the office of Dr. Frank
Boyd, to go over plans for the new
hospital building.

Miss May Dilday, of Indianapolis,
is the guest of Miss Emma Niehaus
on Jefferson street.

THE DEATH LIST NEARING 1,000 MARK

Over 800 Bodies of Slocum Dis-
aster Found.

Excitement Over Turkey's Proposed
Mobilization of Troops
Shortly.

EARL OF CORK IS DEAD

New York, June 22.—Eight hundred
and fifty bodies of victims of the Slo-
cum disaster have been recovered. Of
this number 795 have been identified.
Contributions to the relief fund now
aggregate \$80,000.

A DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

New York, June 22.—Frank Shan-
non, a Green Point saloon keeper,
shot and killed Bridget Lee this morn-
ing and then killed himself. Shannon
shot the woman because she would
not marry him. Her two children
witnessed the tragedy.

TURKEY GETTING BAD.

Belgrade, June 22.—Excitement has
been caused in official circles over the
discovery of a code telegram sent by
the minister of war at Constantinople
to the military commander at Uskub,
asking "How long would be required
to mobilize all the battalions in Kos-
ovo, Eastern Roumelia."

3 RUSSIAN SHIPS BLOWN UP BY MINE

One Hundred and Forty Rus-
sians are Reported Killed.

News of a Late Battle in Which the
Russians Lose 168 Officers
and 5,000 Men.

MORE NEWS EXPECTED HOURLY

St. Petersburg, June 22.—A tele-
gram has reached here that a severe
battle has occurred lasting two days
near Hayoheng, Liao Tung peninsula.
It is rumored that the Russian casual-
ties are 168 officers and five thousand
men.

RUSSIAN SHIPS SUNK.

Tokio, June 22.—The crew of the
jacket which left Port Arthur a few
days ago and was captured by the
Japanese, report that two Russian de-
stroyers and the steamer Shintaijing
struck mines at the entrance of Port
Arthur harbor and were destroyed.
One hundred and forty Russians they
say were killed.

SINKING JAPANESE TRANS- PORTS.

St. Petersburg, June 22.—Admiral
Skrydloff, commanding the Russian
Vladivostok squadron, has submitted
a detailed report of the squadron's
cruise in Japanese waters and the
sinking of the Japanese transports
Idzumi Sodo and Hitachi. He adds
that a Japanese cruiser was watching
them all the time they were engaged.

WAITING FOR DETAILS.

St. Petersburg, June 22.—People
here are waiting with the utmost in-
terest news of the result of the severe
fighting known to be taking place
about Kai Chaud, whence great num-
bers of wounded have been arriving
at Liao Yang and Hai Cheng. It is
also known there is great danger from
the advancing Japanese force.

General Stakelberg found himself
confronted with terrible difficulties
in effecting his retreat, owing to tor-
rential rains rendering the roads well
nigh impassable.

Latest figures of Yafangow battle
are that 40 officers were killed and 75
wounded and 1,127 soldiers killed
and 1,863 wounded.

CORRESPONDENTS COMPLAIN.

General Headquarters in the Field,
via Seoul, June 2.—There has been
much dissatisfaction among newspa-
per correspondents over their status
with the Japanese army, resulting
in several protests to the staff. Finally,
a written statement of their griev-
ances was presented by the entire
body of correspondents here.

The statement complains of the
censorship of telegrams at Seoul and
at Nagasaki, which the headquarters
censor had already approved. It also
complains of the strict enforcement
of the rules framed by the general
staff at Tokio which prevent cor-
respondents in the field from sending
details of what Tokio correspondents
are often permitted to describe. The
statement further requests that some
freedom be granted correspondents in
the matter of moving about and ob-
serving the army and its operations.

Miss Hortense Hutcherson, of Rus-
sellville, Miss., arrived today from
Murray for a brief visit to her aunt,
Mrs. Mary Leigh.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

(Furnished by Paducah Commission
Co., 109 Broadway.)

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